

After he retired from coaching, he remained the Athletic Director at the University of Georgia until 2004, guiding the football program and building many other athletic programs into national powerhouses.

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Off the gridiron, Vince was passionate about gardening and American history and preservation. He was considered a master gardener and had a species of roses named after him.

He was involved with many organizations that focused on preserving Revolutionary War battlefields and was inducted as a Georgia trustee by the Georgia Historical Society.

Earlier this month, I was proud to sign on to a resolution, alongside several members of the Georgia delegation, thanking him for his service to our State.

Vince Dooley was truly a pillar of his community, and his impact will be felt for generations to come.

CONGRATULATIONS TO SAVANNAH/HILTON HEAD INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Savannah/Hilton Head International Airport on their selection as the Conde Nast 2022 Readers' Choice number one airport in the United States.

The Savannah/Hilton Head International Airport is a hub for travel regionally, nationally, and internationally.

With its small-town feel, the Main Street-inspired concourse greets travelers with a plentiful helping of southern charm. The many restaurants and shops provide weary travelers, both coming and going, with a snippet of what the First District has to offer.

I personally am very well acquainted with this airport, as I have traveled through this airport hundreds of times on my way to and from Washington, D.C.

Serving nearly 3 million passengers each and every year, the airport serves as a gateway to the First District of Georgia and its many destinations. Just a short drive away are world-class beaches, resorts, and golf courses, with the cultural hub of Savannah being foremost.

Additionally, it serves as an important cargo hub in conjunction with the Port of Savannah, the fourth busiest port in the Nation.

Despite their busyness, they excel in providing outstanding customer service and southern charm. For the third year in a row, they have been voted the number one airport in the United States.

I, on behalf of the entire First District of Georgia, congratulate the employees and the administration of the Savannah/Hilton Head International Airport for earning this distinction.

HONORING MARTIN GRIZZARD

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the life and service of the late Martin Thurman Grizzard of Thomaston, Georgia.

Martin was born October 17, 1938, in Hixson, Tennessee. Being the oldest of four brothers, he learned to take care of the people around him at an early age.

In 1963, he would graduate from Mercer University's Southern School of Pharmacy, committing his life to the care of others. Just 2 years later, Martin opened Northside Drugs, a pharmacy in the small town of Thomaston, Georgia.

During his long career as a pharmacist, he would serve on the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy, eventually becoming president in 1984. In 2013, his store would serve its one-millionth customer after nearly 50 years of faithfully providing care for the community of Thomaston.

Though a million seems like a large number, it only represents a fraction of the true impact that Martin would have on this world during this time not only as a pharmacist but as a philanthropist and father.

Finally laid to rest at the age of 83, he is survived by his wife of 62 years, Mrs. Betty Grizzard; his daughter, Pam; and his three sons, Martin Jr., Michael, and Stewart.

The prayers of myself and my family belong to the Grizzard family and all those impacted by this tremendous loss.

HONORING DAVID RALSTON

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the leadership and service of my good friend, my former suitemate, David Ralston, who recently announced that he would be ending his tenure as speaker of the Georgia statehouse.

David has been speaker since 2010 and has overseen some of the most historic legislative accomplishments in our State's history.

He attended Young Harris College and North Georgia College, where he earned his bachelor's degree with honors. He then went on to graduate from the University of Georgia School of Law.

An attorney by trade, Speaker Ralston started his career in public service in 1992 when he was elected to the Georgia State Senate. In 2002, David was elected to the Georgia House and was chosen as speaker in 2010.

HONORING PATRICK O'DONNELL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Nebraska (Mr. FLOOD) for 5 minutes.

Mr. FLOOD. Mr. Speaker, yesterday, during new Member orientation with the freshman class, which I now claim, we were addressed by the Clerk of the House of Representatives.

She shared with us the history of her post and that, in 1789, the Clerk of the House of Representatives was named as the second officer following the Speaker of this storied institution.

Mr. Speaker, I have the great privilege today to rise and congratulate one of the Nation's longest-serving clerks

of a State legislature in America's history.

Just like yesterday, when we were impressed with the history of this institution, it goes without saying that institutions like this are sacred because of the work of the nonpartisan staff, the people who pay attention to the parliamentary procedure, the quiet ones that sit next to the loud ones, the clerks of the United States State legislatures and this body.

Mr. Patrick O'Donnell lives in Lincoln, Nebraska, and he has had a distinguished career as clerk of the Nebraska Unicameral Legislature. In 1977, he became the assistant clerk. He became the clerk in 1978.

Patrick has a record of defending the legislature as a unique institution in our United States. He believes in the process and has championed the vision of Nebraska voters when the voters changed to a unicameral back in 1937.

As a former speaker of the Nebraska Unicameral, he taught me and hundreds of other legislators what a powerful and important role our branch of government should play in leading this Nation and our States.

The Founders of this country envisioned the legislative branch as the most powerful branch of government. It was clear their intent was that the people directly elected in their districts should decide where the money is spent and the policies to be enforced.

After 44 years on the job, Mr. Patrick O'Donnell is retiring now as the longest-serving clerk among his contemporaries in State legislatures across this Nation. Only a couple of past clerks have longer recorded tenures.

It is my privilege and honor on this floor to recognize a clerk that has gone above and beyond for the people of his State and been a resource to clerks and legislators throughout the United States during his 44-year tenure.

On behalf of the First District of Nebraska, congratulations and best wishes on your retirement, Mr. Clerk, Mr. Patrick O'Donnell of Nebraska.

HONORING THE JOSEPH FAMILY OF UTICA

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from New York (Ms. TENNEY) for 5 minutes.

Ms. TENNEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Joseph family from Utica, New York, and their dedicated and honorable service in defense of our great Nation.

During World War II, five of the Joseph brothers served in our Armed Forces, rising to the challenge to democracy and freedom and defending all free people's rights across the globe.

The Joseph brothers served in all branches of the military across multiple fronts, in harm's way constantly. Sadly, none of the brothers could return home for their mother's funeral, as she died when they were deployed across multiple fronts and theaters of combat.